

CVPCP FY04 Projects

PROJECT	PROPOSED ACTIVITY	FUNDING
Bron Property, Conservation Easement Acquisition	Acquisition of a 20-acre conservation easement. The CP will provide funds to Sierra Foothill Conservancy for acquisition of a perpetual conservation easement on 20 acres of the Bron property in Fresno County for the protection of the federally endangered Keck's checkerbloom (<i>Sidalcea keckii</i>). Keck's checkerbloom is a known resident on the 20 acre parcel proposed for an easement. The proposed easement is within the area designated by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service as "Critical Habitat for <i>Sidalcea keckii</i> " (Federal Register / Vol. 68, No. 52 / Tuesday, March 18, 2003 / Rules and Regulations/ pages 12863 to 12880).	\$48,000
Ansin Property Acquisition	BLM fee title acquisition of 5,810 acres inside and outside of the Carrizo Plain National Monument in Kern County. Habitat comprised of alkali scrub, saltbush scrub, and semi-desert scrub. Species that would benefit include the San Joaquin kit fox, blunt-nosed leopard lizard, giant kangaroo rat, San Joaquin wooly threads, and Kern primrose sphinx moth.	\$460,000
Bayou Vista Property Acquisition	Acquisition of 515 acres in Tulare County. The Bayou Vista property is located in the central San Joaquin Valley in an unincorporated portion of Tulare County, on the south side of Ave. 144 approximately five miles southeast of Corcoran, California. Native lands within the existing Los Feliz unit of Pixley NWR are contiguous to the south, and natural areas on Creighton Ranch, owned by the Boswell Company and previously managed as a nature preserve by The Nature Conservancy, are adjacent on the north. Acquisition of this property would provide protection for three federally listed endangered species (Tipton kangaroo rat, San Joaquin kit fox and blunt-nosed leopard lizard). Property will be transferred to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Pixley National Wildlife Refuge (PNWR)	\$456,000
Coyote/Kit Fox Grazing Study	On-going, third year of ESRP study to examine grazing practice effects on coyotes and implications on SK kit fox	\$44,409
Kit Fox Reintroduction Feasibility Study	ESRP study to examine feasibility of reintroducing and/or translocating SJ kit fox.	\$76,012
Pine Hills Reserve Manager	Assist in funding Pine Hills Reserve manager position with BLM. Will oversee management activities and writing of management plan	\$100,000
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Population Ecology of riparian woodrats and black rats at Caswell State Park	Third year of on-going ESRP study evaluating how black rats influence behavior of woodrats; includes black rat eradication measures.	\$109,650
Riparian Brush Rabbit, reintroduction and translocation monitoring	On-going ESRP monitoring of riparian brush rabbits released at SLNWR.	\$253,022
Project Total		\$1,547,093
Program Administration		A.O.s \$98,000 R.O. \$207,907
Total Budget		\$1,853,000